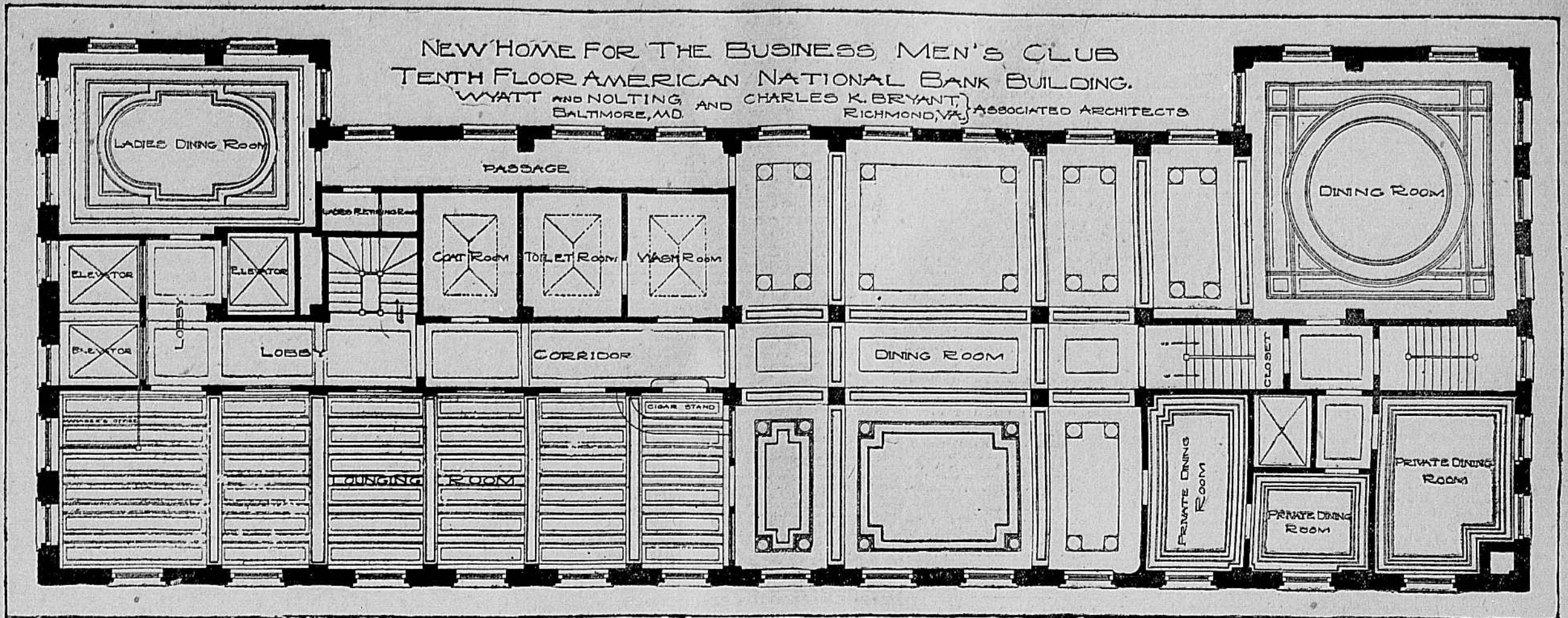


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AT LOS ANGELES

Features of the Meet in Which
Records Were Estab-
lished.

PAULHAN AND KNABENSHUE

Sensational Flights by French-
man—Army Tests With Dir-
igible Balloon Successful.

Undoubtedly the features of the aviation meet at Los Angeles, which has just been concluded, have been the wonderful performances of Louis Paulhan in his Blériot monoplane and his Farman biplane, and of Roy Knabenshue in his big dirigible. Each in his own particular field has been a hero of the meet, favored with outbursts of popular favor known to few in any walks of life. Curtiss made some remarkable flights and several records for quick starting and accurate landing. His work saved the extremely technical, however, and of the deadly certain. There was less of chance in it than the people wanted. And so, while everything he did was meritorious and of perhaps greater value to the advancement of the art of aviation than his French rival, it did not receive the public's unreserved approval as did the more sensational efforts of Paulhan.

Other balloonists than Knabenshue did sterling work. But it remained for Knabenshue and the daring, chance-loving Paulhan to astonish, thrill and delight the thousands of spectators who crowded the stands. To sum it up in a sentence, Paulhan and Knabenshue appealed to the imagi-

nation; Curtiss and his confederates were coldly practical.

Of the many sensational flights made by the French aeronaut, none was more successful than the one in which he reached the record-breaking altitude of just less than a mile in a Farman biplane, and his forty-mile cross-country flight with Mme. Paulhan as his passenger.

Knabenshue's specially attractive work was in the line of military endeavor. With an officer of the United States Signal Corps aboard, he maneuvered over the aviation field much as it might be worth while to do in an actual theatre of war. Lieutenant Beck made several successful efforts to map "lines of communication" and the "imaged disposition of troops." Photographs were taken in sufficient number and of such considerable definiteness as to prove beyond all cavil that the dirigible has indeed some very practicable uses as an adjunct of the military profession. Bags of sand, weighing each some twenty pounds, were thrown with great accuracy upon squares marked out on the ground to represent permanent fortifications or temporary artillery earthworks. This was done both from Knabenshue's dirigible and Paulhan's biplane. Curtiss, too, carried Lieutenant Beck aloft on several occasions, but the efforts were not crowned with the same success, due principally to the high wind raking at the time.

After Paulhan had done one thing after another to excite the imagination and bewilder the senses, he ended his record-breaking performance with a flight to the late "lucky" Baldwin's horse farm and back, with his wife accompanying him.

Mrs. Fluke Is Ill.
Augusta, Ga., January 23.—Mrs. Fluke, starting in the Manhattan Company's production of "Salvation Nell," closed all engagements after her performance here last night, and left today for New York.

Mrs. Fluke has not been well for several days, and last night it was determined that an operation on her throat would be necessary. Her manager states for her that she expects to resume her work in about ten days, believing that her trouble is not at all serious.

PROBABLE FIGHT REFEREE TRAINS LIKE PUGILIST

Pittsburg, January 23.—Buck Cornelius, of this city, is in training to referee the Jeffries-Johnson fight. For a referee to get into physical shape to officiate at a prize fight seems an unnecessary stunt on the fact of it, but such is not the case. Activity for ten, twenty or thirty rounds of fast milling requires a strong man, and Cornelius is preparing for the ordeal.

Jeffries and Johnson have not formally decided upon the referee, but when the name is placed in the fight papers six days before the men go into the ring the Pittsburg man, in all probability will be the one named. Jeffries has known Cornelius for years and he and Johnson are satisfied with his ability.

Two telegrams answering the inquiry, were sent from Pittsburg last week. One from Johnson reads: "Cornelius satisfactory to me."

The other, signed by Jeffries, reads: "Selection of Cornelius up to Johnson."

I have already decided he suits me."

So Cornelius decided to look himself over and discovered that he is about forty pounds too heavy and has a little too much front to take into a prize ring. He is now on a diet and a program of exercise to reduce his weight. He now weighs 220 pounds. A month's training, Cornelius says, will put him in shape to go any limit with the fighters.

Referee Must Train, Too.
Many fight fans are dubious about the necessity of a referee training for a bout. The necessity, however, is obvious on close analysis. A fighter may tire, and keep on the go with the hope of landing a lucky haymaker. A referee, however, must hop-skip-and-jump about the ring, getting himself in position to see every blow and, although he becomes winded and weary, he must preserve a calm and unflinching mind, in addition to think unerringly and quickly.

"Buck" is not unknown in the fighting world, although he has been away from the ring for several years. He is the man who took up Denver Ed Smith, trained him, closed his ears to the joshing of his friends, and sent him into the ring at New Orleans to defeat Joe Goddard and stop his championship aspirations. Cornelius won \$50,000 on the fight. While training Smith, Cornelius traveled to different towns, keeping on the lively move so that Smith's style would not be estimated with the effect of cutting down odds. Cornelius tipped his friends in these towns, and they, too, won. Cornelius was Peter Maher's manager also. Cornelius had Shirkley signed for a time and he managed Jim Hall. He brought Jerry Marshall, colored, from Australia, but Marshall, after showing promise, succumbed to temptation.

These are the biggest fighters Cornelius has been connected with, but in handling them he fitted himself with an experience that qualifies him as a

fight referee as few men in the country are equipped. He knows the game in its every detail, and in the many fights he has refereed his work has never been questioned.

His decision to go into training for the fight shows he appreciates the importance of the position.

"It looks easy enough to the man at the ringside," he said, speaking of a referee's work, "but the man at the ringside is too busy watching fighters to take account of the work the official is doing. The referee who works through the Jeffries-Johnson mill under the Fourth of July sun is going to have anything but an easy time. A man can run a good many miles in short spurts and jumps in twenty rounds of fighting. This fight may go to a good many rounds before being finished."

Cornelius has already taken off five pounds and says in a month he will weigh less than 200. Before he goes

into the ring with the big fellows, he expects to tip the beam at 180, a weight at which his wind is excellent and his speed is best.

Aside from the diet, Cornelius is taking Turkish baths every other day and is running out a program of exercise at the Oakland Athletic Club, where Owen Zeigler, the old-time lightweight, is training him. As soon as the snow is off the ground Buck will be out in Schenley Park, or in Forbes Field Baseball Park, which is handy to the club, doing the marathon stunt to give him wind.

In his training at the athletic club Cornelius goes through several rounds of boxing every day, practicing every kind of break and every kind of blow. This is his idea of what a referee should do before he considers himself competent. He contends that unless a man knows how different blows are delivered and has been through peculiar breaks he cannot make decisions with absolute confidence.

He said that Sullivan, when asked if he was going to get married, refused to admit it.

Bryan Special Guest.
Lima, Peru, January 23.—William Jennings Bryan has been made the special guest of the municipality, and has been invited to attend a special reception arranged in his honor on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Bryan, who has been slightly ill, has recovered.

JIM CORBETT EXPLAINS
WHY FLAT-FOOTED MAN
IS AT A DISADVANTAGE

BY JAMES J. CORBETT
(Former Heavyweight Champion of the World.)

I have stated many times that Jack Johnson is a flat-footed fighter. Many followers of the ring have asked and written me as to exactly what I mean by a flat-footed man, and if it is a disadvantage, where does it come in? Well, in hundreds of battles it makes no difference whether a man fights "on his toes" or on the "heels of his feet." In an affair between two such fighters as Jim Jeffries and Jack Johnson every slight advantage figures. And being flat-footed will help Johnson's defeat.

Now I am going to try and explain as best I can what disadvantage a flat-footed man is under. It is plain to all that a flat-footed man certainly cannot move as fast as a man on his toes. While he is shuffling about, the opponent can jump in, smash, and get under cover before the other fellow can get up to the mark of his follow. None will deny that speed is a necessary asset in the prize ring.

The slow fellow may win a battle now and then, but not often. Go back over the records of the prize ring and you will discover that all the top-notch fighters are able to prance around like debutantes in a cotillion. And in most cases you will find "winners" behind their names.

Cites Cases in Evidence.
Take the ring exploits of such men as Bob Fitzsimmons, Tommy Ryan, Kid McCoy and many, many, myself. Every one of this aggregation was in ways primed for a rush, and in most cases sent over a wallop and got away before a return. Joe Gans was the only flat-footed fighter in my years that I ever saw go down the line licking all comers. But we all must admit that this work will produce very few men possessing the cleverness and strength that the "Old Master" had in his day. Flat-footed fighters have seldom been enrolled under the title of champions.

Many critics may ask, "If a flat-footed fighter is not successful, why is it Johnson holds the championship?" That looks like good dope. But did Jack ever meet a man anyway near Jeffries in class, or a man who was built by nature for a champion fighter? Not so it is noticeable.

Johnson won all his fights only a flat-footed fighter can be waiting for his opponent to come in and mix it. The dope will show you that it was trying to swap punches that beat Tommy Burns and Stanley Ketchel. I don't want anybody to think for a moment that I mean Jack Johnson is no fighter. On the contrary, I think he is a marvel, particularly on the defensive, and entitled to his honors.

Johnson Seldom Leads.
But I am going to try and show why, in my opinion, Johnson's flat-footedness will be his undoing. He is a slight, supple man in comparison with Jeffries. He should have the speed to carry the fight to Jeff—hit and get away. That's what I did with Jeff at Coney Island, and I had him tired from my own exertions, lunging up the situation. I fought all the way on my toes. I did most of the leading in that battle, and my speed kept me out of harm's way until the twenty-third round. Johnson does little or

no leading. He relies on the other man coming to him. Then he blocks and counters. He is not a man to break ground and put his opponent at a disadvantage because his movements are slow. Do you think for a moment that he will be able to block that triphammer blow of Jeff's all the time? Certainly not. Johnson's style is made to order for the big fellow. Jeff will bore in and Johnson will peck away with his jab, but he will not pick many of those swings of Jeff's out of the air with his gloves and forearms.

This battle will be the case of the man with the stronger punch. And take it from me, there is no man in this world able to face Jeffries in the ring and swap punches without getting a ticket to dreamland in return. Johnson has a good right hand, but his white rival possesses a pair of hands, and he has the kick of a mule in both.

Jeff Already at Weight.
Now a few words to the skeptics who are worrying over Jeff getting into condition. It was only a few days ago that Jeffries submitted to an exhaustive physical examination in Chicago, and was pronounced to be in magnificent shape. That should clear up the situation. I met Jeff in five days ago and want to announce that he already tips the scale between 230 and 235 pounds, which is his regular fighting weight. It looks now as though the big fellow would have to ease up for a time before he is in rigorous condition. With his health, good strength never better, his eye as clear as when he was at his best, the man to beat Jim Jeffries is still unheard of. And I say this notwithstanding the fact that I consider Jack Johnson a good, clever, high-class fighter.

AMUSEMENTS.

Academy—Address by United States Senator Dolliver.
Biyou—Hanson's Superba.

PRESS NOTES FROM THE THEATRES.
Dolliver. Appearing as a lyceum lecturer rather than as a political orator, United States Senator J. P. Dolliver, of Iowa, will speak at the Richmond Academy of Music to-night, under the auspices of the Radcliffe Entertainment Bureau, arranged for the Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conwell, of Philadelphia, who is detained by illness.

Senator Dolliver has long been regarded as the Western Senator of the steadily growing powers and influence, and his recent conspicuous association with the Republican "Insurrection" made him a national figure of whom much has been said and written in the public press. A close student of affairs and a dished orator, he has won an equal prominence on the lecture platform, his earnestness and eloquence interesting all audiences of wide political color. In Congress his best known work has been in connection with the tariff, on which he has made a number of big speeches.

The address here will be a popular entertainment event on account of the skill of the Western Senator as a lecturer on non-political subjects, and more interesting still because it will bring into close view one of the chief of those Republican "Insurrection" who are now setting Washington by the ears.

DEPLETED TREASURY
WILL LIMIT THE MEETS
OF UNIVERSITY TEAM

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Charlottesville, Va., January 23.—

Manager Harrison and Assistant Manager Cecil, of the Virginia track team, are busy arranging a pretentious schedule for the approaching season, and if present plans work out there will be much to engage the attention of the undergraduates for the next three months.

Because of the depleted condition of the treasury, however, the team will be unable to participate in as many indoor meets as she did last year. This is to be regretted very much since there is a large amount of new material this year that needs development, and nothing will show up the men better than actual competition. Though no official action has been taken, the Orange and Blue will almost surely be represented at the following indoor meets: The George Washington meet on February 5, the Federal games and the big Georgetown meet, the climax of the indoor season on March 5.

Negotiations are now in progress with the track managements of both Harvard and Pennsylvania, and it is probable that the track and field teams of both of these great institutions will come south for a spring workout, and that incidentally dual meets will be arranged with Virginia on Lambeth Field. It will be recalled that the Yale track team came South during the Easter vacation last year for a week's workout, and that the entire squad was greatly benefited by its stay here.

Spilled weather prevailed, and the men were able to start off the outdoor season in good form. In the dual meet with Virginia, Saturday, April 10, Yauy, no official action has been taken, gathering in 86 points to the Orange and Blue's 31. Virginia showed, however, that she had some of the best sprinters in the country by easily capturing the three short distance events. In the contemplated meets with Harvard and Pennsylvania, Virginia will surely miss Rector, America's premier sprinter, who is now practicing his profession in St. Louis, and it is a good even bet that Virginia will not get a first place against the Crimson. Coach Lannigan thinks his wards will show the Quaker squad a thing or two however. There will

also be a dual meet the coming spring with Wake Forest.

In preparation for the Cornell relay, the Virginia quarter-milers are being put through some hard training. Coach Lannigan is having a pretty hard time picking the four men for the team.

From the standpoint of a casual observer, it seems that the choleza at present besetting the Orange and Blue football pitcher, and Todd's sub-quartermaster on the football team, Stanton, the Californian, recently ran the quarter mile in 1:10. This is a very fast time for a freshman, and several other members of last year's unbeaten team are putting in some hard licks at practice, and several others are being put through the paces for the relay team now practice morning and afternoon, and this program will be kept up for the next two weeks in order to get the men in the best possible shape for the opening of the season on February 5.

The jumpers, hurdlers and pole-vaulters will probably be selected from the following candidates: Martin, Forsythe, Harrington, Holladay, Grant, Hughes and Smith, all of whom bid fair to make a creditable showing in the meets.

NEGRO PUGILIST TAKES
ON ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT

New York, January 23.—Besides his pressing engagement with James J. Jeffries on July 4, Jack Johnson, the big negro pugilist, to-day entered another date in his note book—this time with the grand jury of New York county. And as an earnest that he will keep it, Johnson was required to furnish bond of \$1,000. He then left for Montreal.

Felonious assault is charged against the champion, who, the complainant recites, last week swung his right to the jaw of an under-sized friend of his in order to get the man in the best of shape for the opening of the season on February 5.

The hearing of the case came today in a magistrate's court. Norman Pinder, the complainant, testified that when Johnson entered an uptown saloon last week, he (Pinder) expressed a desire to buy, speculating, however, that his purchase would be beer. Johnson drinks only champagne nowadays, and evidently considered the qualified invitation an insult. His fist landed on Pinder's jaw. The clang of the ambulance bell awakened the victim.

OLD RING GLADIATOR
WILL TAKE ANOTHER WIFE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Boston, Mass., January 23.—According to the statement of a morning paper, John L. Sullivan is suspected of having matrimonial intentions, and is said to have engaged the bridal chamber at the Ivernia, February 8. John L. was granted a divorce from his wife about a year ago. He alleged that she deserted him twenty-five years ago. Thus he is free to marry again, and his friends whisper that he has arranged to do it. The big fellow has been secretive, and the name of the bride-to-be is not positively known. One story is that she is the widow of a Utica hotelkeeper, and another that she is a Roxbury spinster, whom he has known for many years.

Fellow pugilist friends are planning a monster testimonial prior to his departure for the Old World, and some of the best talent in the boxing and theatrical world will take part. From Springfield comes the report that Jake and Mrs. Kilrain will also sail for Europe at the same time as John L. He plans to spend at least a year and a half in Europe. John L. Sullivan is playing at Akron, O. A dispatch from there last night

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